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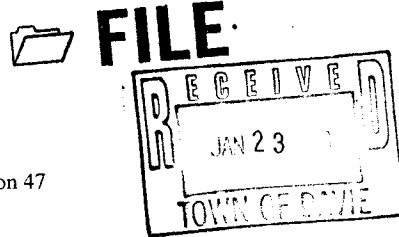
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January 13, 2006



Ms. Lauren Milligan, Coordinator
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Subject: Advance Notification
New Interchange at Florida's Turnpike Mainline with Stirling Road
Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study
Federal Aid Project Number: TNPK-019-4
Financial Project Number: 417218-1-22-01
Broward County, Florida

Dear Ms. Milligan:

The attached Advance Notification Package is forwarded to your office for processing through appropriate State agencies in accordance with **Executive Order 95-359**. Distribution to local and Federal agencies is being made as noted.

Although more specific comments will be solicited during the permit coordination process, we request that permitting and permit review agencies review the attached information and furnish us with whatever general comments they consider pertinent at this time.

This is a Federal-aid action and the Florida Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Federal Highway Administration, will determine what degree of environmental documentation will be necessary. The determination will be based upon in-house environmental evaluations and comments received through coordination with other agencies. Please provide a consistency review for this project in accordance with the State's Coastal Zone Management Program. In addition, please review this improvement's consistency, to the maximum extent feasible, with the approved Comprehensive Plan of the local government jurisdiction(s) pursuant to **Chapter 163, Florida Statutes**.

We are looking forward to receiving your comments on the project within 60 days. Should additional review time be required, a written request for an extension of time must be submitted to our office within the initial 60 day comment period.

Your comments should be addressed to:

Mr. Raymond A. Ashe, Jr., Manager
Turnpike Environmental Management Office
Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
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Ocoee, FL 34761

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Your expeditious handling of this notice will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Raymond A. Ashe, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Raymond A. Ashe, Jr., Manager
Turnpike Environmental Management Office

RAA/HP/cc

Attachment

Mailing List

cc:

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**APPLICATION FOR
FEDERAL ASSISTANCE**

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-construction		Pre-application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction	2. DATE SUBMITTED 01/13/06	Applicant Identifier 417218-1-22-01
			3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier
			4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION				
Legal Name: Florida Department of Transportation			Organizational Unit: Department: Environmental Management Office	
Organizational DUNS:			Division:	
Address: Street: Mile Post 263, Bldg. 5315 Turkey Lake Service Plaza			Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code) Prefix: Mr. First Name: Raymond	
City: Ocoee			Middle Name: A.	
County: Orange County			Last Name: Ashe	
State: Florida Zip Code: 34761			Suffix: Jr.	
Country: United States			Email: raymond.ashe@dot.state.fl.us	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 59 - 6001874			Phone Number (give area code) 407-532-3999 ext. 3013	FAX Number (give area code) 407-822-5821
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify)			7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types) A State Government Other (specify)	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: 20 - 205			9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. Department of Transportation	
TITLE (Name of Program) Highway Planning and Construction 12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.) City of Hollywood, Town of Davie, Broward County, Florida			11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANTS PROJECT: New Interchange at Florida's Turnpike with Stirling Road in Broward County, Florida	
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date Ending Date 10/3/2005 8/1/2015			14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant b. Project 17,20	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:			16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$	83,600,000.00	a. YES. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON DATE: 1/13/06	
b. Applicant	\$.00	b. NO. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E.O. 12372 <input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
c. State	\$.00	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
d. Local	\$.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes," attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
e. Other	\$.00		
f. Program Income	\$.00		
g. TOTAL	\$	83,600,000.00		
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES.				
a. Authorized Representative				
Prefix Mr.	First Name Raymond		Middle Name A.	
Last Name Ashe			Suffix Jr.	
b. Title Manager, Environmental Management Office			c. Telephone Number (give area code) 407-532-3999 ext. 3013	
Email: raymond.ashe@dot.state.fl.us			Fax Number (give area code) 407-822-5821	
d. Signature of Authorized Representative			e. Date Signed 1/13/06	

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**STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ADVANCE NOTIFICATION FACT SHEET**

**New Interchange at Florida's Turnpike Mainline with Stirling Road
Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study
Financial Project ID No. 417218-1-22-01
Broward County, Florida**

1. NEED FOR PROJECT

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study to evaluate a number of alternatives for a new interchange at Florida's Turnpike Mainline with Stirling Road, Milepost (MP) 52, in Broward County, Florida. Preliminary reviews of current and projected traffic conditions indicate a need for a new interchange in this area of Broward County to address existing and future congestion at the Hollywood Boulevard (MP 49) and Griffin Road (MP 53) interchanges.

The interchanges at Hollywood Boulevard and Griffin Road currently serve an Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) volume of 36,100 and 21,900 vehicles, respectively. By 2025, these volumes are expected to increase to 52,900 for Hollywood Boulevard and 53,400 for Griffin Road. Forecast models indicate that the addition of an interchange at Stirling Road will reduce the volume at Hollywood Boulevard by 9,600 vehicles per day and by 15,000 vehicles at Griffin Road. If constructed, 37,300 vehicles are forecasted to use the new interchange at Stirling Road by 2025.

The proposed project is consistent with the Broward County Comprehensive Plan (Transportation Element) approved by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) as required by Chapter 163, F.S. This project is also consistent with the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and incorporated into the Governorially-approved Broward County MPO Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and Florida Statewide TIP. The project is located in an area that was originally designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) as a moderate nonattainment area for ozone; however the designation was reclassified as an air quality maintenance area in 1995. It is anticipated that the proposed project will not adversely impact the air quality conformity status of the maintenance area.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

This project proposes to construct a new interchange at Florida's Turnpike Mainline with Stirling Road. A project location map is attached. During the PD&E study, several interchange configurations, utilizing SunPass-only ramps, will be developed and evaluated for potential impacts. Relocation potential and impacts to community services and features will be minimized during the development of alternatives.

Associated projects within the area include the widening of Florida's Turnpike Mainline (Financial Project No. 406095-4) from north of Johnson Street (MP 50.5) to Griffin Road (MP 53). This capacity improvement project will widen the Mainline from six to eight lanes. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2007.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION**a. LAND USE**

The study area is located within the City of Hollywood, the Town of Davie, the Seminole Tribe of Florida Reservation, and unincorporated Broward County. Three of the four quadrants are located within the Reservation with a mixture of land uses. In the northeast quadrant, there are two churches (Iglesia Bautista and the First Seminole Indian Baptist Church) and the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino. The southeast quadrant includes the House of Prayer Full Gospel Church (just east of Florida's Turnpike) and residential areas east and south of the church. The headquarters for the Seminole Tribe of Florida is located in the southwest quadrant. There is an approximate 7 ½ acre mobile home community located in the northwest quadrant.

b. WETLANDS

Several excavated surface water bodies occur within the project area. The National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) classifies these as palustrine open water wetlands with permanent hydrology (POWHx). The only Turnpike-owned water body within the Right-of-Way (ROW) is a lateral roadside ditch in the northwest quadrant of the proposed interchange. The Turnpike also owns a large borrow pit (Silver Lake) outside the ROW in the northwest quadrant and is currently leased to the Town of Davie. Immediately north of Silver Lake is the Berman Park Preserve, a palustrine emergent wetland (PEM) owned by the Town of Davie. No impacts to wetlands are proposed.

c. FLOODPLAINS

A review of the Federal Emergency Management Agency Map Number 12011CO304F, Panel 304 of 319 (August 18, 1992) reveals the following:

- the area in the southwest and northwest quadrant of the proposed interchange location is in Flood Zone AH (an area inundated with 100-year flooding for which base flood elevations have been determined; flood depths of 1 to 3 feet);
- the area in the southeast quadrant is in Flood Zone X (areas determined to be outside the 100-year and 500-year flood plain); and
- the area in the northeast quadrant is in Flood Zone AE (an area inundated by 100-year flooding; base flood elevations determined).

d. WILDLIFE AND HABITAT

Preliminary field investigations revealed limited wildlife habitats within the project area and the presence of a single listed species, a white ibis (*Eudocimus albus*, Species of Special Concern, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission). A review by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) indicated the project occurs within a core foraging area (CFA) of the endangered woodstork, *Mycteria americana*, with an active nesting colony approximately 11.3 miles northwest of the project location. A thorough evaluation of the project vicinity for protected species, and coordination with the appropriate agencies, will be accomplished during the project development process.

e. OUTSTANDING FLORIDA WATERS

There is no Outstanding Florida Water (OFW) (FAC Chapter 62-302) within the project area.

f. AQUATIC PRESERVES

This project is not located within an aquatic preserve (FAC Chapter 62-302).

g. COASTAL ZONE

Coastal Zone Consistency Determination is Required: ___ yes X no

h. CULTURAL RESOURCES

Several archaeological and historic sites are located in the vicinity of the project area. A comprehensive Cultural Resources Assessment Survey, with agency coordination, will be conducted during the PD&E study.

i. COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES

This project is not within the boundaries of any coastal barrier resource areas (PD&E Manual, Part 2, Chapter 26).

j. CONTAMINATION

There are no documented contamination sites within the project area. Neither FDOT District Four nor the Turnpike Enterprise has reported any large fuel spills or illicit discharges. Field observation of illegal dumping and the possibility of illicit discharges are potential concerns. A Contamination Screening Evaluation will be conducted during the study.

k. SOLE SOURCE AQUIFER

This project is located within the Biscayne Aquifer, a Sole Source Aquifer designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

l. NOISE

A privately-owned mobile home community in the northwest quadrant of the proposed interchange and a residential community near the southeast quadrant have the potential for noise impacts. A comprehensive Noise Study Report will be prepared for this project.

m. ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT

This project is not anticipated to impact any marine or estuarine habitats; therefore, no impacts to Essential Fish Habitats (EFH) are anticipated.

OTHER COMMENTS:

The Seminole Tribe of Florida is a major stakeholder for this study with customs, traditions, and legislation that transcend local, state, and federal regulations. In recognition of this special setting, the study team will be working closely with the Seminole Tribe of Florida to ensure that tribal customs are followed as technical elements and outreach activities for this study are completed. For example, notifications will be made through the Seminole Tribe's internal network in addition to the traditional outlets used to reach the general public while meeting National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. For each community-wide meeting, such as

the Alternatives Public Meeting and the Public Hearing, a separate meeting will be held for the Seminole Tribe of Florida. This approach will follow any special cultural traditions while also meeting NEPA requirements.

4. **NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

5. **PERMITS REQUIRED**

Various permit applications may be required to be filed and approved prior to construction. The list of potential permitting and review agencies, and permits required include, but may not be limited to the following:

Section 404 Dredge and Fill

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Commenting Agency)

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Commenting Agency)

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Environmental Resource Permit

South Florida Water Management District

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (Commenting Agency)

Central Broward Water Control District (Commenting Agency)

Broward County Environmental Protection Department (Commenting Agency)

